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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SOMALI-ETHIOPIAN RELATIONS

1. FONSEC OMAR ARTEH JULY 23 REAFFIRMED TO ME THAT GSDR POLICY IS NOT RPT NOT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ETHIOPIA'S CURRENT INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES AND IN FACT TO EXERCISE SPECIAL RESTRAINT IN THIS REGARD. GSDR HAD FOLLOWED THIS POLICY, FONSEC SAID, DESPITE OCCASIONAL DELIBERATE "PROVOCATIONS" FROM ETHIOPIAN SIDE AND SOMALIA WOULD CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS COURSE.

2. FONSEC NOTED THAT SOMALIA WISHED TO SOLVE ITS DISPUTE WITH ETHIOPIA BY PEACEFUL MEANS. EFFORTS TO SETTLE IT ON BILATERAL BASIS HAD BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL BUT OAU WAS NOW SEIZED OF MATTER. IN VIEW OF THIS IT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INAPPROPRIATE FOR SOMALIA TO TAKE ANY UNILATERAL ACTION.

3. FONSEC STATED HE KNEW PRIMIN IMRU AND THOUGHT HIM TO BE A MODERATE, RESPONSIBLE AND "CALM" INDIVIDUAL. HE CONSIDERED HIS APPOINTMENT AS PRIMIN "A STEP FORWARD".

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